



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1733**

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Maurizio BOIOCCHI et al.) Group Art Unit: 1733
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Application No. 10/029,174) Examiner: Maki, S.
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Filed: December 28, 2001) Confirmation No. 4632
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For: HIGH-PERFORMANCE TYRE)
FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action ("Office Action") mailed July 1, 2004, the period for reply having been extended for three months by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee filed with this Amendment After Final, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 10 of this paper.

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